(b) if so, whether any long term plan has been drawn up in this regard; and

(c) what other steps are being taken to step up nuclear power generation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) The Nuclear Power Corporation is presently operating three Nuclear Power Stations, namely Tarapur Atomic Power Station (320 MWe), Rajasthan Atomic Power Station (440 MWe) and Madras Atomic Power Station (470 MWe) on a commercial basis.

(b) and (c) A long term plan to generate 10,000 MW of electricity from Nuclear Power Plants by the year 2,000 has been drawn.

Construction of eight units of 235 MWe capacity, two each at Narora, Kakrapar, Rajasthan (as expansion) and Kaiga is in progress. Sites have been approved by Government to commence work for ten more units consisting of 4 units of 235 MWe at Kaiga, 2 units of 500 MWe at Tarapur and 4 units of 500 MWe at Rajasthan. Approval of the Government will be sought to commence construction of another six units of 500 MWe capacity. In addition, two units of 1000 MWe will also be set up at Kundankulam in Tamil Nadu with the assistance of USSR.

Electropathy System of Medical Science

1465. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have constituted a five member committee regrading the recognition of Electropathy system of medical science;

(b) whether in order to assist this Committee, the experts from some States were to be taken in the Committee;

(c) whether Government have considered the names of the experts;

(d) if so, the names and addresses of such doctors, State-wise; and

(e) by when the Committee is likely to submit its report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The following three members have been co-opted to assist the Committee:—

1. Dr. Narendra Kumar, Secretary, NEHM of India, Janak Puri, New Delhi.

2. Dr. Chandra Shekhar Tripathy, Member of Parliament, New Delhi.

3. Dr. A. B. Pawade, Indian Medical Association, Arvi (Wardha).

(e) The Committee is expected to submit its report by the end of this calendar year.

Appointment of additional Director General, Health Services

1466. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the feeder cadre for promotion to the post of Additional Director General, Health Services is a Professor in a Medical College or Institute;

(b) if so, what is the experience and educational qualifications of the feeder post viz. Professor;

(c) what is the experience and educational qualifications for promotion/appointment to the post of Super Time Level Post from the post of Specialist Grade;

(d) what was the experience required for these posts at the initial constitution of these services/posts; and

(e) whether there is any change or relaxation in experience and educational qualifications now; if so, what is the change and the reason therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) (i) MBBS

(ii) PG qualification

(iii) 5 years regular service as Specialist Grade-I.

(d) As per CHS Rules-1966, vacancies in Super Time Grade-I were filled on recommendations of a Departmental Promotion Committee by promotion on the basis of merit with due regard to:

(i) seniority of officers holding posts in Super Time Grade-II who had rendered not less than six years of service in that category; and

(ii) the qualifications and experience requisite for the vacancy to be filled up.

(e) Yes, Sir. It is proposed to reduce the period of regular service from five years to three years for promotion from Specialist Grade-I to Super Time Grade as per revised guidelines, regarding promotions from posts carrying pay scale of Rs. 4500—5700 to posts carrying pay scale of Rs. 5900—6700.

Posts Lying Vacant in DGHS

1467. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many posts at higher level are lying vacant in the D.G.H.S.;

(b) whether it is affecting the health programmes of Government;

(c) the details of the vacant posts and the number of vacant posts in the grade of Additional D.G.H.S.;

(d) what are the reasons for not filling up of these posts; and

(e) the action taken by the D.G.H.S./ Ministry for filling up these posts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Four posts *viz.*; two posts of Additional Director General of Health Service, and one post each of Deputy Director (General) (Leprosy) and Deputy Director General (Rural Health Service) are lying vacant in Directorate General of Health Services. However, vacant posts of Additional Director General are being operated at the level of Super Time Grade Officers. The post of Deputy Director General (Leprosy) is also filled at the level of Specialist Grade I.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) As at (a) above.

(d) and (e) The posts of Additional Director General of Health Services have not been filled up so far due to non-finalisation of amendment of Central Health Service Rules, 1982 and seniority issue relating to a few eligible officers. Expeditious action will be taken for filling up these posts after these issues are settled. The process of filling up the posts of Deputy Director General (Leprosy) and Deputy Director General (Rural Health Service) is at an advanced stage.

Departmental Promotions Committee for Filling Posts in DGHS

1468. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Departmental Promotion Committee for filling up the posts of level II and level I officers of D.G.H.S.